

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of)
Tohru NATSUME et al.)
Application No. 10/581,969) Confirmation No. 8384
Filed: June 7, 2006) Group Art Unit: 1656
For: NOVEL INTERACTION BETWEEN) Examiner: Maryam Monshipouri
PROTEINS, AND THERAPEUTIC AGENT)
FOR DISUSE MUSCULAR ATROPHY OR)
METHOD ASSOCIATED WITH DISUSE)
MUSCULAR ATROPHY TAKING)
ADVANTAGE OF NOVEL INTERACTION)

THIRD RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In further response to the Supplemental Restriction Requirement mailed May 8, 2009, applicant further elects not only the claims of Group 1(F), but also the invention of Group 2 (i.e. ZNF216 and ubiquitin chain). This further election is made without traverse.

This response is accompanied by a Third Preliminary Amendment which appropriately amends claim 19 to reflect the election of Group 2.

Respectfully submitted,

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